

What are Wearables?

- Set of SMART devices and a subset of IoT -Next week!
- Objects that are worn on or inside a Human (or Pet)...
 - o AND...
- Collects data
- o Interacts with the "host"

What are its components?

• Computer (chip, programming)

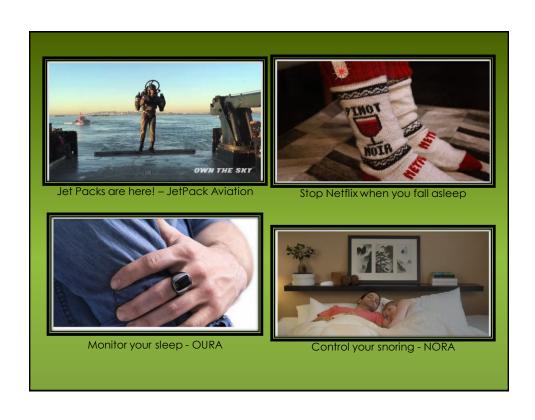
• Battery

• Network access

What do they look like?

- Watches, bracelets, rings
- o Clothing, footwear, undergarments
- Armor, jetpacks, prosthetics
- Glasses
- Body modifications
- Food
- And more...







What are they used for?

- Health
 - Tracking vital signs, water intake, hearing
- Fashion
 - Customizable shoes, tattoos
- Communications
 - Watches, headsets
- Security
 - Tracking location
- Virtual Reality (learning, entertainment)

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Why are they important?

- Assists with data that the "host" may not be able to communicate themselves
- Personalization
- Monitoring of chronic conditions
- Lifelogging
- Extend our capabilities

So what about libraries...

- We'll start seeing them
 - Support
 - Programs
 - Lending
 - Build apps for them

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Resources / learn more

- What kind of data they track -https://hbr.org/2013/09/wearables-in-the-workplace
- Explanation of Wearables - http://www.wearabledevices.com/what-is-a-wearable-device/
- San Jose Public Library https://www.sjpl.org/blog/wearable-technology-0
- Florida Library Webinars http://floridalibrarywebinars.org/wearabletechnology-and-libraries-ondemand/

Keep up to date

- What's new: We Are Wearables blog http://blog.wearewearables.com/
- Upcoming Wearable Technologies Conference http://www.wearable-technologies.com/network/
- Wearable technology will reconnect us to ourselves and each other (TEDx Talk Video) – http://tedxtalks.ted.com/video/Becoming-Human-Wearable-Technol
- Horizon Reports –
 http://library.wiki.nmc.org/Wearable+Technology

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And that's just the beginning of our trends this season!

See you again on Feb 26th for the Internet of things!

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